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I can't believe the proposals that I had heard you were settling for were even being considered.

There is no consideration for punishment of illegal activity.

Since when does a parolee have any say in who the parole officer is? ... in regards to Microsoft being allowed to have a say in the picking of the panel that will be monitoring their future activity.

There are more holes in the agreement (concerning future practices by Microsoft) than there are stars in the sky; an Microsoft knows this, which is why they are so eager to settle.

In conclusion, the solutions suggested by the DOJ may as well have been written by Microsoft (assuming that they weren't...) for all of the good they will do in restoring competition to the marketplace.

When I see this type of failure in the system that I am supposed to trust to protect me, as a U.S. citizen, consumer, and taxpayer, it makes me wonder where my tax dollars really are going, because they obviously aren't being spent to protect me from predatory corporations.

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